

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 22, lines 23-31 with the following amended paragraph:

As shown in Figure 1, a server 100 according to an embodiment of the invention is implemented as a userspace NFS (version 3) loopback server. Figure 1 shows a possible implementation of the server, and other implementations are possible. In one embodiment of the invention, a plurality of servers form a symbiotic wide area file system as discussed herein. In an embodiment, a server 100 includes four main modules (105, 115, 120 and~~to~~ 125) as discussed below.